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## HOUSE BILL No. 1180

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DIGEST OF HB 1180 (Updated February 5, 2009 9:38 am - DI 75)

**Citations Affected:** IC 24-4.

**Synopsis:** Ticket seller interference software. Provides that it is a Class A infraction to purchase, use, or distribute software designed primarily to interfere with the operation of an entity that sells tickets to sporting or entertainment events over the Internet by circumventing the ticket seller's measures to ensure an equitable ticket buying process.

**Effective:** July 1, 2009.

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**Blanton, Pierce**

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January 12, 2009, read first time and referred to Committee on Commerce, Energy, Technology and Utilities.  
February 9, 2009, reported — Do Pass.

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First Regular Session 116th General Assembly (2009)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2008 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning trade regulation.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 24-4-17 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS  
2 A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2009]:

4 **Chapter 17. Ticket Seller Interference Software**

5 **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "ticket seller interference**  
6 **software" means a computer program that is designed or produced**  
7 **primarily for the purpose of interfering with the operation of any**  
8 **person or entity that sells, over the Internet, tickets of admission to**  
9 **a:**

10 (1) **sporting event;**

11 (2) **theater;**

12 (3) **musical performance; or**

13 (4) **place of public entertainment of any kind;**

14 **by circumventing a security measure, access control system, or**  
15 **control or measure that is used in association with the ticket**  
16 **seller's Internet web site to ensure an equitable ticket buying**  
17 **process.**

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1       **Sec. 2. After June 30, 2009, a person who intentionally:**  
2           **(1) purchases;**  
3           **(2) uses;**  
4           **(3) sells, gives, or otherwise distributes; or**  
5           **(4) possesses with the intent to sell, give, or otherwise**  
6           **distribute;**  
7       **ticket seller interference software commits a Class A infraction.**

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## COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Commerce, Energy, Technology and Utilities, to which was referred House Bill 1180, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

MOSES, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 11, nays 0.

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